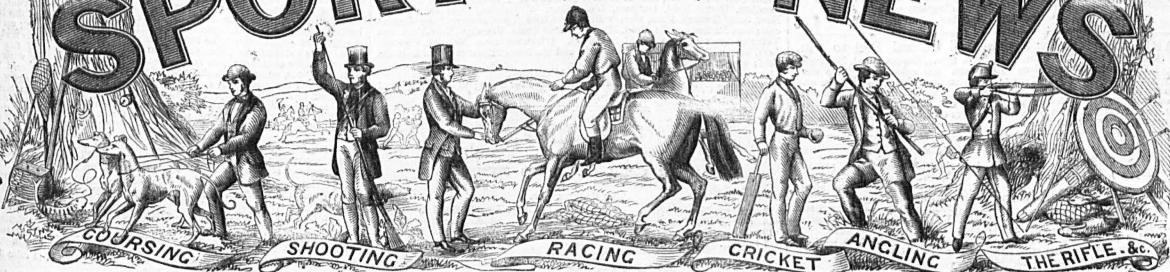


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### SHOOTING.

THERE was but a meagre attendance last Saturday afternoon at the Copenhaagen Grounds, Manchester, to witness the match between William Smith, of Hulme, and Alfred Pindrood, the once noted pedestrian, the former to shoot at 10 pigeons, and the latter at 12, for £20 a side. The conditions were, that the competitor should use 1½ oz. shot, stand 21 yds from the trap, and the birds to fall within a hundredth part of a second. Hayes, the master of the ground, was mutually agreed upon as referee. The wagering was limited at 2 to 1 in favour of Mr. Pindrood, who won the contest by three birds. The score being—

NOVEL MATCH.—Mr. R. and Son are matched against Mr. Pierce Holroyd, of Oldfield, to shoot at pigeons, for £25 a side, 21 yds rise, 80 yds boundary, and 1½ oz. shot. Mr. R. and Son to stand one yard from each other. To take place at the Royal Oak Grounds, Manchester, May 7. Mr. George Martin is appointed stakeholder, and is to find a referee. £5 a side is down, and the result is to be made good on May 2.

### RABBIT COURSING.

The City Grounds, Manchester, were visited by upwards of 400 persons last Monday afternoon, the chief attraction being a match between E. Holden, Lady, and S. Smith's dog, both of Longton, to run the best of 21 courses, 60 yds' length, 21 yds' rise. The dog of Mr. Holden ran 10 courses, and his master till 11th caught 9 rabbits, whilst Lady only secured four. The animal then found at every course until thirteen were undecided, and the consequence was that the match was relinquished, and each party drew their own money.

NOVEL MATCH.—Mr. J. Holmes' Lady, of Hulme, has received £10 a side on account of the match between W. Proundman's Nip, of Manchester, and Bill Lang, both of Manchester, to run 11 out of 21 courses, for £25 a side. To take place this (Saturday) afternoon.

NOVEL MATCH.—A match has been made between W. Proundman's Nip, of Manchester, and C. Miller's Lucy, of Openshaw, to run the best of 21 courses for £10 a side, on May 1. Mr. J. Holden has received £1 a side, and £4 each is due this day (Saturday).

COPENHAAGEN GROUNDS, MANCHESTER.—A further deposit has been handed to Mr. Hayes, making £5 a side now down, in respect of the match at rabbits, 11

out of 21 courses, 60 yds' law, between J. Holmes' Lady, and W. James Miss chel, both of Longton, Staffordshire, for £ a side, and the remainder of the money is due on the day (May 9).

NOVEL MATCH.—Mr. J. Shackleton, of Blaydon, has matched his Dutchman against A. Bailey's Skip, of Denholme, to run the best of 21 courses, on May 16, neither dog to exceed 12lb in weight. £5 a side has been handed to Mr. J. Holden, and the ceremony must be repeated this (Saturday) evening.

ARRIVAL OF BIRDS.—The *Hants Advertiser* continues to chronicle the arrival of birds in the neighbourhood of Southampton. The cuckoo and nightingale were, it appears, heard for the first time this season on the 14th instant. "We have had," says a writer of that journal, "for more than a fortnight past, the first appearance of the beautiful warbler, with its distinctive notes of the long-tailed, keeping one on a branch of holly, the other in a dead branch of a maple tree, both of them taken on Southampton-common thus early in the season. They are bespangled with tiny specimens of silver-coloured lichens."



GARRICK, THE CELEBRATED ACTOR.





## **PEDESTRIANISM.**

**MATCHES TO COME.**

APRIL

30. One mile handicap, for gentlemen amateurs only, for a silver cup, value 40 guineas, Strawberry Hotel Grounds, Liverpool.
30. Hey and Wimpenby—300 yards, £25, Warren House, Lindley-moor.
30. Ross and Shaw—926 yards, £10 a side, St. Thomas's Grounds, Stanningley.
30. Mills and Patrick—150 yards, £20 a side, St. Thomas's, Stanningley.

2. Edwards and Malkin—100 yards, £20 a side, Edwards to have three birds start, High Park, Fenton.

2. Quail and Son—100 yards, £20 a side, Quail to receive two yards start, Strawbery Field, Liverpool.

6. Athlete sports at Cheltenham College.

7. Farrand and Spencer—200 yards, £10 a side, Warre, Lindsey Moor.

8. Boothroyd and Oldfield—300 yards, £20 a side, St. George's, Honley.

10. All England 150 yard handicap, £10 in money prizes, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.

Long and Tinsley—quarter of a mile, £25 a side, Royal Oak, Newton Heath, Manchester.

16. All England Handicap, 155 yards, £30 in money prizes, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.

17. Lambeth and Weaving—100 yards, £10 a side, Warre House, Lindsey Moor.

Lambeth and Weaving—120 yards, Weaving receiving a yard start, £10 a side, Aston-cross.

18. All England Morris—120 yards, £10 a side, Aston-cross.

17. All England Handicap, 225 yards, £30 in money prizes, Hyde Park, Manchester.

19. Handicap 100 yards, £23 in money prizes, Queen's Head, Warrington.

20. All England 150 yards Handicap, £10 and other money prizes, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.

22. Green and Thompson—600 yards, £25 a side, Royal Oak, Farnworth.

1. Perry and Roberts—to walk 50 miles. £5 a side. Brompton  
Newton Heath, Manchester.

## HACKNEY WICK.

METROPOLITAN GROUNDS, MONDAY.—THE TEN MILE CHAMPIONSHIP CUP RACE BETWEEN WHITE AND SANDERSON.—The racing contest for the C. C. Baum's champion challenge cup was run at the Metropolitan Grounds, on Saturday afternoon, Gateshead, and Sanderson, of Rochdale. The cup was held by White, who made his right goal to hold the same again against Sanderson. The victory obtained over E. Miles, of Benthall-green, in the first race, was not maintained, and his favourite, the odds of 3 to 1 being offered. The race was fixed for six o'clock, and soon after the pedestrian came into the ground the pace being sounded by the well-known drummer, John of Northgate, started the race. The men ran away, a steady pace, the lead being taken by White, his opponent following some two yards in the rear, and in this position that he maintained racing throughout the whole of the first mile, which was accomplished in 10 minutes 4 seconds, a proof that the pace had been an excellent one, and that nothing extraordinary for such well-trained and acknowledged speed.

At the commencement of the second mile Sanderson challenged his man for the front position, and as the latter was pretty well exerted upon his pace, he took it, and led up to the nineteenth round, when, in coming down the straight for the conclusion of the lap, White was once more, and on the commencement of the thirtieth (10 minutes 40 seconds) in advance. Four miles was done in 19 minutes 50 seconds, half the distance being accomplished in 30 miles 40 seconds; but it was apparent that the Gateshead clipper was not as yet fully developed, and that he had not yet reached his best. As the race went on, however, and the pace increased, so did the speed, and it may be said to have had the race "safe," as Sanderson, after running the first four miles, was still in the fifth lap, fell rapidly more in the rear, and when he pulled up on the finish of the thirty-seventh round, this being the third lap, he was fully had a lap behind. White was then entitled to run the last three laps, and as he did so, Sanderson expressed an opinion that had not their man been labouring from a sudden attack of "stitch" in the side, which seized him at the commencement of the fourth mile and rapidly grew worse, that he would have made a much more worthy finish.

**WANDSWORTH.**

COPENHAGEN GROUNDS, SATURDAY.—GENTLEMEN AMATEUR V.—This important event, for a silver cup prize, came off, under auspices, on the afternoon of the above day; and, as the company of some of the prominent aristocracy of the day, marked interest in the proceedings. The circumference of the course is exactly

An engraving of a man in a dark suit and bow tie, standing with his hands on his hips. He is positioned in front of a large window that looks out onto a cityscape with a prominent tower featuring a flag. To his right is a tufted armchair. The style is characteristic of 19th-century political caricature.

## THE LATE SAM COWELL, THE WELL-KNOWN COMIC VOCALIST

the competitor had to make 200 laps to accomplish the whole of the journey. Captain C—— was chosen referee. It was arranged that the match should be commenced at nine o'clock a.m., and that at two p.m. a pistol should be fired, when the whole of them were to pull up, and their respective distances being marked, were to leave off for the purpose of refreshment, it being stipulated that half an hour should be allowed for dinner, and agreed that for the

should be prevented or confusion, these regulations should be strictly adhered to in the handling for the start of the race." Mr. W. H. Horton, Mr. C. Beaumont and Mr. J. Bridge came to the mark, and all being in readiness the start was made, the whole of them going off at a steady pace, the lead being taken by Mr. W. H. Horton, who crossed the finish line 36 sec. ahead of Mr. C. Beaumont and 1 min. 2 sec. ahead of Mr. J. Bridge. In the first ten miles there was little alteration in the position of the men, and on the termination of this portion of the distance the leaders were still in the same order. At the end of the next ten miles Mr. W. H. Horton had increased his lead to 1 min. 1 sec., Mr. C. Beaumont was 36 sec. behind him, and Mr. J. Bridge 48 sec. behind. At the end of 31 miles, Mr. W. H. Horton's time was 37 min. 17 sec., Mr. C. Beaumont's 37 min. 35 sec., and Mr. J. Bridge's 37 min. 56 sec. At the end of the competition, the three men were still keeping well together from the start. The first twenty-five miles were accomplished by Mr. Stewart in 3 hours 20 min. 50 sec.; by Mr. Horton in 3 hours 30 min. 5 sec., and by Mr. Bridge in 3 hours 30 min. 15 sec. From the start until the time that the three men were still in the race, they were the only ones that were now left in the match. At two o'clock, when the pistol was fired for the competitors to stop for dinner, Mr. Stewart had run 100 miles, Mr. W. H. Horton 96 miles, and Mr. J. Bridge 95 miles. They had all gone well up to the four o'clock mark, but after that time Mr. Stewart had fallen well behind. These gentlemen were the only two that were then walking; Mr. Bridge, who from his condition stood in need of rest, having pulled up on the completion of the 25th mile, and Mr. Stewart was over-tired. He had crawled on the ground until Mr. Stewart had walked three laps. Mr. Bridge, who came again to the "collar" for the off chance of a break, was soon off again. Mr. Stewart, however, had stopped and remained in the struggle. The lead was maintained by Mr. Stewart throughout the remainder of the race, and he won the race in the winning time. His time being three-quarters of a mile in advance of the others.

The official time being 83 min. 5 sec. at 1 o'clock p.m., so that from the start to the finish line, Mr. Stewart had run 3 miles 53 sec. From this it may be deduced the time consumed in the 25 miles was 36 minutes in all having elapsed before the struggle was re-commenced on the part of Mr. Stewart. Thus it will be seen that the actual time of the race, the winner in accomplishing the 50 miles was 93 min. 27 sec.

**ROMPT**

[RACE BETWEEN W. JONES, OF ISLINGTON, BRUNELL, OF STEEPNEY, AND H. ANDREWS, OF HOLBORN.]—There was a large attendance and assembled on Mr. J. Robert's ground on Saturday evening last, for a sweepstakes of £10 each. The competitors had to make 20 laps. The start being effected, the trio went away at a fine pace, the lead in favour of Andrews, Brunell and Jones being close up. The race well sustained, the competitors being never more than 10 yards apart until five laps from the finish, when it had been completed, when Jones challenged the two leading men for the "pride of place," came to the front despite their fine running, and went by the goal a gallant winner, Brunell being second, and Andrews finishing third.

**BOW.**

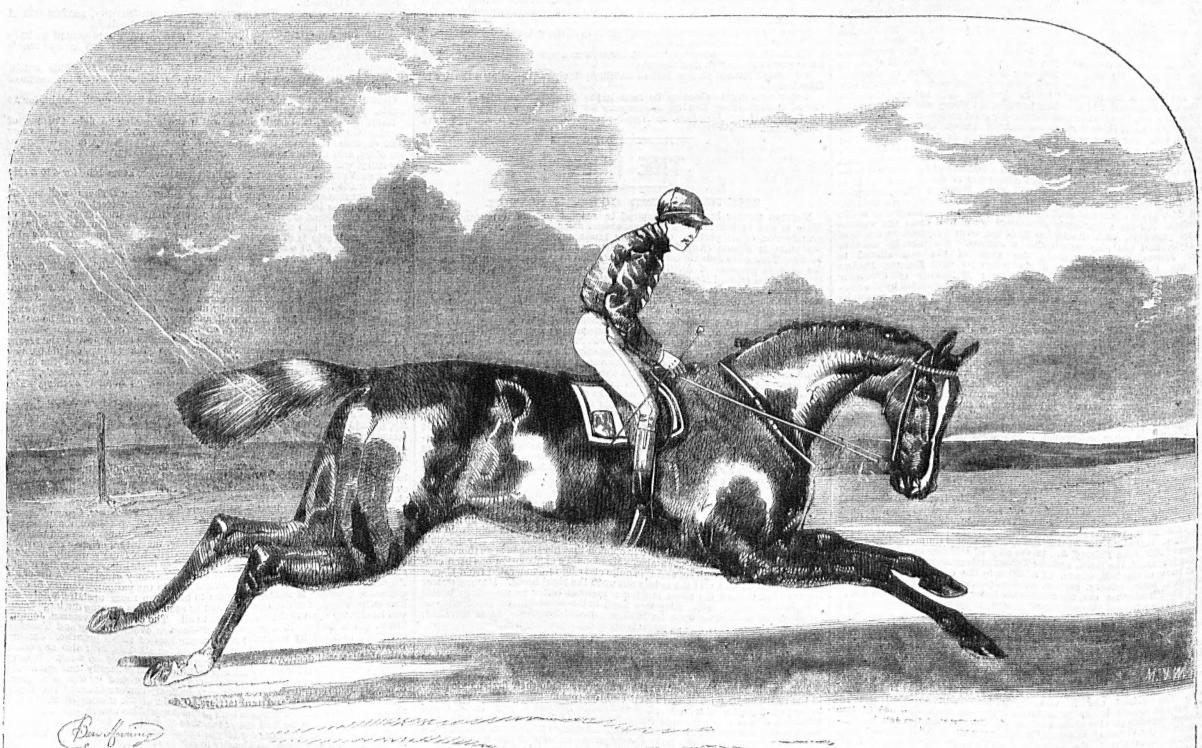
RACE BETWEEN MR. B.—AND MR. M.—(OF STRATFORD).—These amateurs met on Mr. C. Wilson's ground, on Saturday last, to contend for superiority in a race of 100 yards, for \$10 a mile. The distance was run 6 to 4 on Mr. B., who, in the primaries, adjusted the competition to his own liking, having to go by report of pistol. The competitors, who got off in admirable style, ran well together until 70 yards of the distance had been covered, when Mr. B. came well away with the lead, and went in a winner of a well-contested race by three yards.

CHALK FARM

RACE BETWEEN EDWARDS AND VENUS.—These men met on Saturday last to run their mile race, for £5 a side, being decided in favour of Edwards, who, in the opinion of several, beat his record, which was then carried to the mark. On getting off, the lead was held by Venus for 170 yards of the distance, when Edwards, who had been running with his opponent, with admirable judgment, put on a spurt, wrested the lead from him, and finished the winner of a well-contested race by 10 yards.

**HERNICK IS A WINNER BY THREE YARDS.**

**CIVIL SERVICE ATHLETIC SPORTS.**  
The members of the Civil Service held their first annual meeting for athletic sports on Friday and Saturday week at Beaufort House, Walham-green, which had been kindly lent to them by Lieutenant-Colonel Lord Viscount Ranachal, and vast numbers of persons visited the grounds. The meetings



MERRY HART, THE WINNER OF THE CITY AND SUBURBAN

were numerous and valuable, and were presented by Lady Albermarle at the close of the sports. The successful competitors were as follow:—One hundred yards flat race—first Pym; second, second prize, Brewster; third prize, Pigot. High jump running—first, Samson; second, Pym; high jump standing—Norton. Four hundred and forty yards flat race—first, Pym; second, Allanson; third, Callow. Putting the stone—Haran. Throwing the hammer—Macnamara. Three-pronged spear—first, Norton; second, Chapman; third, Herbert. Pole-jump—first, Lambert; second, Westmacott. Half-mile race—first, Norton; second, Gibbons; third, Lambert. Broad jump running—first, Macnamara; second, Lambert; third, jumping, Lambert. Two hundred yds hurdle race—first, Spender; second, Moore; third, Babington. Hopping-race, 50 yds; Pigot; high jump, Cresswell. One mile race—first, Pym; second, Gibbons; third, Allanson. During the cricket-race, Breerton. Sack-race, 50 yds; Custard. Constitution race, 200 yds; Hunt. Mr. Herbert, who officiated as secretary, deserved great praise for his management, and he was ably assisted by Mr. E. Pago, who was starter, and Mr. Charles Westhead, as judge.

#### BIRMINGHAM.

**ROYAL ALBERT GROUNDS, ASTON-CROSS.**—Under the favourable auspices of brilliant and genial weather, there was a good gathering at these grounds on Saturday last, when Cliffe's Novice Handicap was contested for the season. After five o'clock, business commenced, and the distance 200 yds.—First heat: J. Turner 41 yds start (absent). Distance 200 yds.—Second heat: Youen, 45; G. Johnson, 46 (absent); Look, 45 (absent); Young, 45; G. Johnson, 46 (absent). A walk over for Youen, and the heat: J. Hodson, 42 yds start (absent); G. Ellis, 42 (absent); Evans, 50; Evans, 50; Evans followed Youen's example and walked over. A walk over for Smith, 41 yds start; C. Egginton, 41; E. Yeomans, 43 (absent). A game struggle between Smith and Egginton, the latter winning by a foot and a half, and several of the contestants. Fourth heat: E. Chantler, 42 yds start (absent); G. Argent, 48 (absent). Chantler walked over. Fifth heat: B. Dally, 45 yds start; W. Hope, 45; E. Middleton, 55. A well-maintained race, the type managing to make a winner by a yard. Sixth heat: J. Caffery, 35 (absent); D. Hickey, 40 (absent); J. Bate, 40 (absent). A walk over for Caffery. After the lapse of half-an-hour, the running off brought together: E. Chantler, 42 yds start; W. Hope, 54. A game single. Chantler gained ground on his opponent to the finish, when they made a dead heat of it, the referee ordering them to run off for the next. The heat: Youen, 45 yds start (absent); J. Caffery, 35, having a second race each. Chantler, Hope, Caffery came together, when after another game struggle, Chantler took the tape a yard in advance. 3rd heat: C. Egginton, 41 yds start; W. Hope, 41. A good race, Egginton winning by a yard. Nothing remarkable now in the final, which was, after a short interval, called on. The winning heats being E. Chantler, 42 yds start; J. Caffery, 35; C. Egginton, 41. A brilliant race to three-quarters distance, when Egginton started suddenly and became winner, Caffery second, Chantley in the rear, and the final winning. No betting worth recording. Mr. C. Bolton, referred.

**PRINCE OF WALES' GROUNDS, HOLLOWAY GROUND.**—There was anything but a bad attendance at Saturday last, proving that there is a decent interest in pedestrian sports in the Hartshorn Lane neighbourhood, and we doubt not that the attendance will increase weekly, and go on growing. There were several acceptors who did not attempt to contest the point. At half-past four the bell rung for stripping, and the commencement of the race. The distance 110 yds, for novices. First heat: G. Clifford, 16 yds start; R. Denham, 14; C. Badger, 16; Clifford and Badger not appearing. Denham walked over. Second Heat: C. Cooper, 16; J. Shillaber, 14; Shillaber got the lead of the start, in addition to the 2 yards, which made the running warm for Cooper; a fine race to within a dozen yards of home, when Cooper passed his man, and ran in a winner by a yard. Third heat: G. Clifford, 16 yds start; W. Rogers, 14; C. Smith, 13 (absent). Rogers got the best of the start, and a brilliant race ensued, the men being breast to breast all the running home, when Allen spurred forward, and ran in a winner by a yard. After half an hour's respite, the three winning men got the top position: G. Clifford, 16; Cooper, 13; R. Denham, 14; E. Allen, 15. A good start and good race, to three-quarter distance, when Cooper made headway, and went in a winner by a yard, Denham second, Allen a good third, being close up. No betting. Mr. Badeock was referee.

#### MANCHESTER.

**BROWN OAK GROUNDS.—THE FASTEST ONE MILE RACE ON RICEORN.**—The lovers of a "feet of foot" had, last Saturday afternoon, the pleasure of witnessing one of those magnificent struggles which have ever been recorded, and accomplished in the history of record. Some time ago the renowned Bill-Jag (now the host of the Navigators Inn) sent a challenge to the Stalybridge Corporation of pedestrianism by running one mile, at the City Grounds, in the unpreceded time of 4 min 22 sec. This was considered a wonderful performance, but "time is money." The match we are about to describe was between the celebrated Teddy Mills, of London, and the subrege of "Young England," and Patrick Stapleton, of Stalybridge, to

run one mile on the round course at the above newly-formed levitation grounds, for the sum of £25 a side. The weather was everything that could be desired, and the contest having been set down for six o'clock, enabled many persons to be present who could not otherwise have attended, and about 1,000 spectators were in attendance. On the previous Thursday a trotting match came off at the course (which is in Stalybridge both for racing and trotting), by which the Stalybridge men unhesitatingly won, and we were consequently surprised to find that Mr. George Martin, the indefatigable proprietor, had so contrived as to have the ground in capital order, and all trace of the effect of the "ploughing up" entirely removed. How he managed to do this, we do not know, but we have no doubt of the fact. The Wizard of the Navigators, and the Stalybridge representative was made the favorite at 2 to 1 at the commencement, but the Little Cockney's friends came to the rescue, and the betting ultimately went round and became 3 to 1 on Mills. The race began at 6 p.m., and the first quarter of a mile was gained by a yellow flag at the end of the first quarter of a mile, a red flag half a mile,

a blue flag three quarters of a mile, and the tape, of course, at the finish. With praiseworthy punctuality the competitors entered on to the course stripped and ready for action. The condition of the track was perfect; the spectators looking brimming with confidence. Bill-Jag ran first, and Hinchliffe, M.C. prepared Mills for this encounter; Stapleton being trained by Schofield, alias Joe or Nancy's, of Mossley. Mr. G. Martin offered £100 to any man who would run the sprint, a well-known book-maker laid Stapleton's odds at 2 to 1, and the betting half of the bet. On the signal being given the men dashed off, Mills poaching a yard start, and taking the lead, slightly increased his advantage, and at the end of the first quarter of a mile, when he was 2 yds ahead, time being 3 min 50 sec., it was evident that the pace was most terrible. On going down the back stretch and about opposite the Van, Stapleton gained slightly upon Mills, and the two were running the red flag (half a mile). Mills was 2½ yds in advance. The race was now very exciting, for the pace was more like "springing" than the rate for a long distance. Pat stuck gallantly on, and the two men were running the last three-quarters of a mile, with only 2 yards in rear. The excitement had become intense, both men going as if for their lives, for just before entering the straight run home Stapleton screwed himself together, and, with a yell, burst through the lead, 4 yards in front. This unexpected turn in affairs was a "startler," and the excitement now grew to fever pitch, the spectators shouting "Stapleton wins," "100 to 1 on Stapleton," &c. Mills' chance certainly was not good, about 200 yards from home he made a splendid spurt and pulled Stapleton. The pair ran shoulder to shoulder for a few yards, each struggling for the lead, which was gained by Mills, and about 20 yards from the goal Stapleton was overtaken, and, though still gallantly keeping up, he jumped out, to resign the contest and staggered into the arms of a bystander. On referring to the chronometer the time was 4 min 20 sec., being the shortest time on record. A fresh match was agreed to be run on the same ground the same again at these grounds, on May 18, for £25 a side. Mr. G. Martin, the stakeholder and referee, has £10 a side, and 5 sovereigns are due from each man on May 1.

**LONGLEY AND MILBROOK.**—A race between Wm. Longley of Milbridge, and Daniel Thompson, of Dewsbury, to run a quarter of a mile, on May 14, Mr. G. Martin holds £25 a side, and the remainder must be made good on the result.

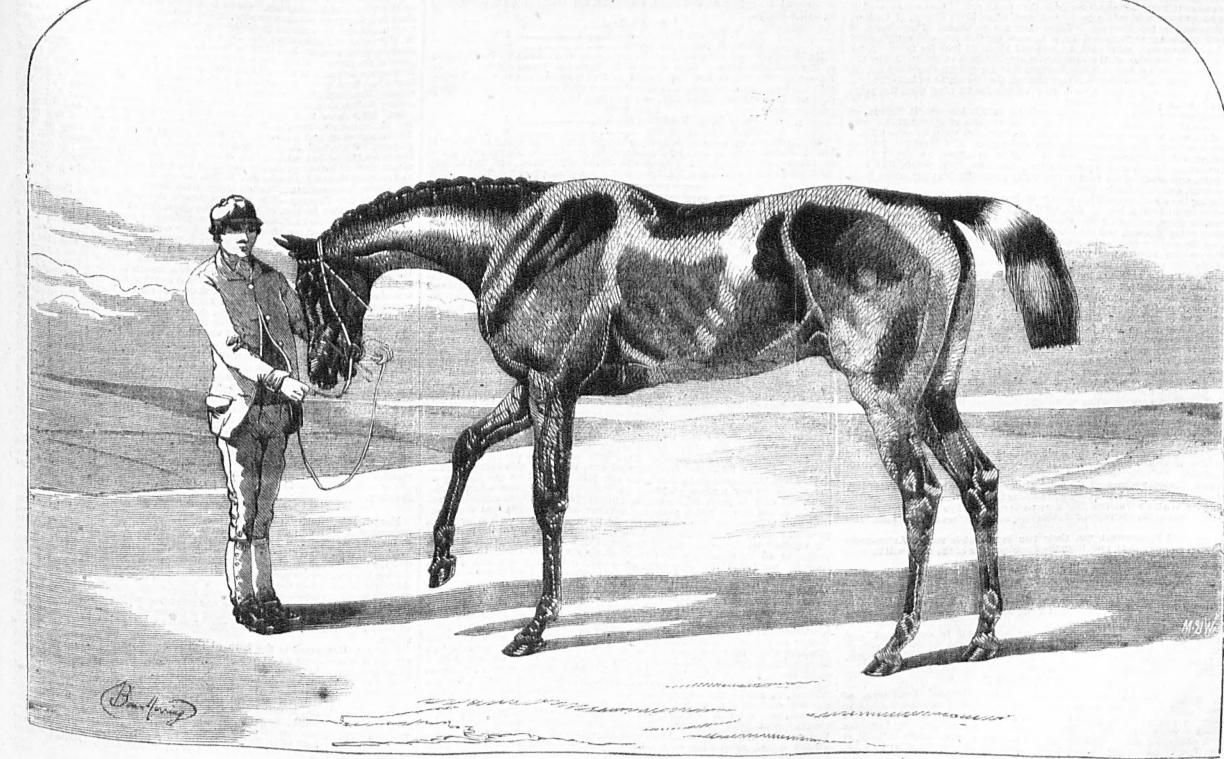
**ALSTON AND ANDREWS.**—Slah Alston, of Bowle, near Middleton, and James Andrews, of Milbrook are matched to run a race, for £25 a side, on May 19. Mr. G. Martin is in receipt of £10 a side, and the remainder must be made good on the result.

**TROMPON AND GREEK.**—Mr. G. Martin holds £10 a side, for 600 yds spin between Danby-Thompson, of Dewsbury, and George Green, of Hutton, for £25 a side, and the remainder must be handed on or before May 14. To take place May 21.

#### NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

**FENHILL PARK, BRITON, GLASGOW.**—On Saturday last Mr. R. Emerson's 175 yds handcap and a quarter-mile foot race were run off at these grounds. The weather was excellent for athletic sports, and the attendance was far short of what we expected to have, arising from such an occurrence. Not in counter attractions prevented many from witnessing a very successful meeting. It must be understood the proprietors are desirous of introducing incidents calculated to please real foot-racing, as well as to induce the public to the field; and some money prizes most likely ever offered by the kingdom will be given for competition. We are sure whenever the handicap is run it will be announced that the performers will muster in numbers from all parts of the United Kingdom. We perhaps are correct in hinting that a long distance engagement would be excellent, and otherwise remunerative, and of interest. The first race on Saturday last was a 40 yds race, for £25 a side, between G. Bright, of Newcastle, and W. Watson, of Gateshead. The latter 10 yds start. The attendance was only indifferent. Betting 2 to 1 on Watson. About 30 p.m. a fast start was made, but it was soon plain that the 10 yds start was not sufficient, and as the race began he was manifestly inferior in speed to his opponent, and beyond once or twice approaching his rival by within a few yards, he was never able to take the lead, the result being that Watson, who, notwithstanding the short start, put on the steam on nearing the finish, and won easily.

second and mistaken race, being 20 yds in advance. Mr. William Oldham, the stakeholder and referee, is to receive £10 a side, and the third, £1. The sport commenced a little after 4 p.m., the first heat being won by G. Leverick, Newcastle, 39 yds start; beating W. Straker, Newcastle 39 yds start; P. Smith, of W. Bromley, one yard. Second heat: G. Gates, 32 yds start; W. Straker, Newcastle, 39 yds start; and W. Bushy, Durham, 38, 3. Won by two yards. Third heat: W. Blomhoff, Boldens, 31 yds start, beat J. Blomhoff, Boldens, 33, 2; and W. Younger, Shildene, 6. Won by one yard. Agha did not run. Fifth heat: G. Green, Harton, 36 yds start, beat T. Willis, of Stalybridge, by a half yards; A. Allan, Glasgow, 36, not running. Sixth heat: A. Kelly, Rothwell, 39 yds start, beat J. Haggerston, Berry Edge, 36, easily by four yards.第七 heat: J. Haggerston, Berry Edge, 36, easily by four yards; W. Bushy, 32, not running. Eighth heat: P. McGowan, Newcastle, 38, 2; and J. Armstrong, Newcastle, 4 10.



JOCO, WINNER OF THE GREAT METROPOLITAN STAKES.

best race in the handicap. Won by 18 inches only. Eighth heat: J. Anderson, Ryhope, 38 yds' start, I. beat G. Reed, Newcastle, 40 yds, for a yard; J. T. Douglas, 38 yds' start, I. beat G. Reed, Dudley, 32 yds, for a yard; T. J. Bawden, 37 yds' start, T. Carter, Newcastle, not running. Ninth heat: A. Scott, Backworth, 40 yds' start, beat C. Little, Newcastle, 35, by two feet. T. Bistow, Bingley, did not run. Eleventh heat: D. Corrigan, Newcastle, 37 yds' start, beat J. Menell, Stanhope, 40, by one yard. T. B. Lupton, 37 yds' start, beat J. H. Dunham, Glasgow, 37, yds' start, 1; W. Brown, Manchester, 2, easy race. Won by two yards. This concluded the first day's amusement.

**MONDAY, APRIL 25TH.**—The handicap concluded to-day. Not more than 300 spectators were present, and the racing began about four p.m., and terminated a few minutes after six o'clock. The twelve winners of Saturday were divided into three heats, the first being carried off by H. Duncanson, Glasgow, 37 yds' start, beating W. Lindsay, Witton, which was 21, and won by 30 yds, 40, 3. Won by four yards. The second and third were Second heat: G. Green, Hartlepool, 36, by 10 yds. Third heat: H. Stacey, Dudley, 32, v. T. Bright, Ouseburn, 33, & D. Haythorn, Newcastle, 40. Won by two yards. Third heat: A. Kelly, Rotherham, 39 yds' start, 1; D. Corrigan, Newcastle, 39, by 10 yds. Fourth heat: C. Little, Newcastle, 35, by 10 yds. After one hour's rest, the racing began again. Duncanson, Green, and Kelly turned out for the final. Betting: 3 to 1 on the former, 2 to 1 against Green, and Kelly odds against the latter. A fair start was effected, but the favourite flew in the front immediately, and about 40 yds from the finish put up both hands, and was alone in the lead. He had been allowed a start of 12 yards. Duncanson, who had been a yard behind him, was still in the lead, and Kelly, similar distance, Time, 14 min. Mr. W. Oldham, steward, Mr. Sutton, referee. This concluded the handicap, and we have the greatest desire to be similarly treated shortly.

#### HACKNEY WICK.

There was a good attendance on Saturday at Mr. J. Baum's Ground, to witness the events that had been announced to come off. It being for the benefit of Golding, the pedestrian, it will be sufficient to state, that in the two miles running handicap, Carter, who had received a start, won the first, and in the second, none of the others being placed, as he pulled up and retired when they found there was no chance left of winning. The 300 yds handicap, in the final heat, was won by Mitchell, who had been allowed a start of 12 yards. Duncanson, who had been a yard behind him, was still in the lead, and Kelly, similar distance, Time, 14 min. Mr. W. Oldham, steward, Mr. Sutton, referee. This concluded the handicap, and we have the greatest desire to be similarly treated shortly.

#### GODFREY PETTIT V. THOMPSON.

This was a match which G. Pettit, for a set of 400 yds, beat Thompson, for a set of 300 yds, by 10 yds. The race was run on Tuesday on Mr. J. Baum's ground. Price, the M.C., was chosen referee. Pettit, who is a powerfully-built man, is not a professional pedestrian, and in addition to his had little time for preparing himself. The start was made sooner than usual, and the pace quick and right, so that Mr. Bent, who arrived late, was unable to make a start. The race was run in a game, persevering manner, until when he had accomplished the first five miles—half the distance—it became apparent he could not win, as he had not been running the allowed time. He, however, continued to run on in the same steady, bold, and determined manner, like the 150 yds of the distance had been accomplished, when Thompson, who had the most "steel" left in him, ran well away from him, and went by the gallant winner, amidst the cheers of his friends.

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**WANDSWORTH.**

**BACCHUS** BETWEEN TOMKINS AND SMITHS.—The match pending between these pedestrians met on Tuesday, April 21st, at 300 yds, as they met on Mr. G. Woody's ground on Tuesday. The odds were 5 to 4 on Tomkins, the betting being of a spirited description. Mr. G. Woody, the proprietor, was chosen referee, and the preparations made having been adjusted, the competitors, who had been running for some time, were sent in to the starting post, and off on the most even terms and road well together until 200 yds of the distance had been covered. Tomkins showed superiority in speed, leaving Smiths in the rear, and on the termination of a fast-run race, Tomkins went in a winner by a dozen yards.

#### BIRMINGHAM.

**ASTRON-CROSS GROUNDS** were extensively patronised on Monday last, several interesting matches being run on the card for the day. Shortly after half-past two the first event was called on—the match between Wreden, of 300 yds, and T. Motley, of 200 yds. Part of the race was run at Motley's yard. Both men were in good trim; Longmore attended by T. Thomas of Tividale, while Motley walked on Wreden. After the usual amount of running, Motley was in the lead, and was soon followed by Wreden, who had gained a lead, of which he was deprived almost as soon as he acquired it. At Craven Cottage Mr. Fisher, putting on a spare dress sheet, and, despite the strenuous exertions of the opposing crew, succeeded in winning by three lengths.

passed his opponent, but not to continue the lead far; for he was soon caught by T. Motley, and was beaten by 10 yds, for a yard; T. Motley, Dudley, 22 yds, for a yard; and T. Thomas, Tividale, 27 yds, for a yard. Tomlinson made a rough and landed himself a winner by half a yard. The race was a slow one. Mr. George Crowder, the proprietor of the grounds, filled the office of referee.

The 100 yds handicap comes off at the above grounds this day (Saturday). Some good running is anticipated.

#### MANCHESTER.

**CORY GROUNDS.**—Daniel Pugh and A. Baker, two Manchester youngsters, ran 130 yds here for a tenner this (Saturday) afternoon; Baker to receive 4 yds start.

#### LEEDS.

**COPENHAGEN GROUNDS.**—A Novice Handicap, distance 150 yds, for money prizes, was run yesterday, given by the proprietor (Mr. Thos. Hayes), to take place this (Saturday) afternoon.

**RAFFERTY AND TAYLOR.**—Bennett Rafferty, of Bradford, and J. Taylor, of Ardwick, are matched to run 80 yds for £10 a side on July 2. Mr. Peter Waddeader is appointed steward and referee, and is in receipt of £1 a side. £10 is due from each man to-day (Saturday).

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**BIRNS AND WOODROW.**—There was a good attendance at the Victoria Race Course yesterday, and the 100 yds race between Birns and Woodrow, of Hartlepool, and S. Woodrow, of Bowring, the latter having 30 yds start allowed. Birns was the favourite at 80 yds off. On the pistol being fired, both men bounded away, Birns from the commencement gradually gained upon his rival, and was a yard ahead when the race was over, after a most strenuous training.

**RAFFERTY AND MILLA.**—The 150 yds race between these men, Patrick to receive six yards start, for £10 a side, is fixed to be run at St. Thomas's Grounds, on Monday next.

**CARVER AND GILL.**—In the face of the attractions to sportmen elsewhere, on Monday 800 persons paid for admission to St. Thomas's Grounds, Stanhope, near Leeds, for the purpose of witnessing the 140 yds race, between Carver, of Hartlepool, and Gill, of Bishop Auckland, for £2 a side. The spectators invested their money with great interest.

The betting opened at 5 to 4 on Carver, and when the men were stripped 7 to 4 was freely offered on him, and as freely taken. After several attempts, the men got moderately even, and, though not a yard apart, Carver, who had the advantage, was the better runner, and, after a well-contested race, he handed himself winner by about two yards.

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